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Docket No. PD-990213**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re Application of: Arthur W. Wang  
Serial No. 09/636,276  
Filed: March 27, 2000  
For: SATELLITE COMMUNICATION SYSTEMDate: May 26, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 2681  
Examiner: Nguyen, David Q.**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

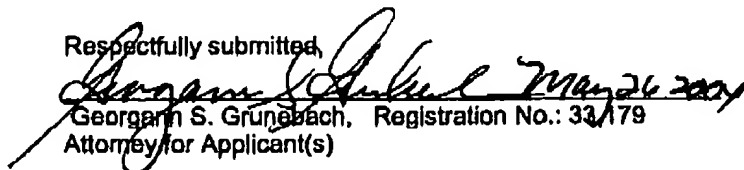
☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated March 1, 2004. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

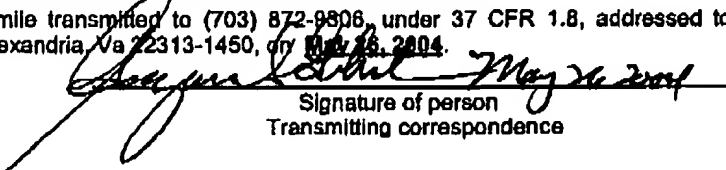
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TOTAL CLAIMS	32	minus	34*	=	0	x \$ 18.00	\$ -0-
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS						x \$ 280.00	\$ -0-
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks.